

## **Electrical Glossary**

**Amp** — A unit used to measure the strength of an electrical current.

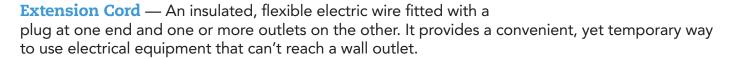
**Arc-Fault Circuit Interrupter** — A safety device designed to prevent fires caused by dangerous electrical discharges by shutting off electricity.

**Circuit** — The complete path that an electrical current can flow around.

**Circuit Breaker** — A device that switches the electricity off when there is too much current in the system.

**Electrical Outlet** — A wall socket receptacle providing a place in a wiring system where electrical devices can be plugged in to operate them.

**Electrical Switch** — A mechanical device used to connect and disconnect a circuit at will and is usually operated manually.



Fuse — A safety device in electrical equipment that cuts off the power if something goes wrong.

**Ground-Fault Circuit Interrupter** — An electrical device that detects electrical current leakage and immediately shuts off the power so that no one is injured.

**Power Strip** — A strip of sockets that attaches to the end of a flexible cable and allows multiple devices to be plugged in.

**Wattage** — A unit for measuring electrical power.